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Comments

For which application would you like to provide comments? (One form per application)
Official Community Plan - BL9525

Comments

The OCP is what the City is signalling to developers and documenting for the residents on how WE wish to see our City in the coming years. As such we should not be rushing to approve this version until all voices have been heard.

Population figures. We should not be using unrealistic population figures. For too many years in Prince George we have often used inflated and incorrect figures in official documents. Let's be realistic with our population data as it will result in much better figures on which we base future City infrastructure and development. For Prince George BC Stats estimated population figures don't seem to work very well. Stick with Stats Canada which are more accurate. Bigger is not always better as some seem to think.

My following comments are mostly based on the information displayed in the maps, Appendix 1 schedules, as I feel they are quite often viewed more than the text and therefore should be as accurate as possible.

Schedule 1-Growth Management. The growth management map in schedule 1 should be amended. I ask that the future development designation over the UNBC property be modified. This area as shown contains a large section of the Cranbrook Hill Greenway and associated trails. Also why would we include areas of significant slope in future development? Don't forget the University Way issue!!!

Schedule 6-Cycling Network. I ask that the long standing option to designate the road allowance from the SE end of Glengarry Road that runs south east to Shamrock Road W be documented. Although long overdue this option to develop has been in previous OCP's to develop as a multi use trail and is in the city Master Trail plan. Why is it not shown in this plan? There are currently no safe cycling/pedestrian options from the Hart to Downtown. What is the difference in designation from a cycle path, such as along Foothills in town, to where it suddenly changes to a paved shoulder designation by First Avenue all the way to Chief Lake Road? We should have a designated cycle path all the way along Foothills to the Hart with appropriate lane marking. The same would apply to North Nechako from Hwy 97 to the City limits at the west end. There is also what I call tacky mapping in showing two sections in blue of existing cycle connector. Connecting what? The trail shown along the side of Hwy 97 from the Hart to the Nechako River. Is the province in support of this and is it multi use to include cycling?

Schedule 7-Pedestrian Network. To be consistent with other trail networks shown we should show the multi use Greenway Trail all the way from UNBC to Otway. We should also show the Pidherny Recreation area and the Otway Nordic facility.

Schedule 8-Parks and Open Spaces. We should indicate the Pidherny Recreation area.

Schedule 10 should read Community Facilities not Communities Facilities.

Schedule 12-Future Land Use Plan. I would suggest indicating all of the UNBC lands not just the eastern side. This will remind residents the extent of UNBC holdings. Also we should show all of the Cranbrook Hill Greenway tenure held by the City as shown on the map in schedule 8. We should also show the Pidherny Recreation area.

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